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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI SW

SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICANS CAPTURE SMUGGLED ARMS FOR SWAPO

1. A SOUTH AFRICAN CONSULATE OFFICER HAS TOLD US THAT ON OR ABOUT MAY 11 TWO TRUCKLOADS OF ARMS WERE SMUGGLED INTO NAMIBIA FROM ANGOLA. SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE, WHO HAD KNOWLEDGE OF THE TRUCKS' CARGO, TRAILED THE TRUCKS AT A DISTANCE IN AN ATTEMPT TO FOLLOW THE ARMS TO THEIR DESTINATION. HOWEVER THE DRIVERS, PROBABLY HAVING SEEN THEIR TAIL, BEGAN CHUCKING ARMS OFF THE ROAD INTO THE BUSH AND THE POLICE WERE FORCED TO MOVE IN BEFORE THE CARGO WAS DELIVERED.

2. THE TWO WHITE PORTUGUESE DRIVERS WERE ARRESTED ALONG WITH THE REMAINING WEAPONS - A GRAB BAG OF THE VARIOUS WEAPONS USED DURING ANGOLA'S COLONIAL WAR. THE SOUTH AFRICANS HERE ARE CONVINCED THAT THE ARMS WERE MEANT FOR SWAPO TROOPS, NOT OVAMBO SEPARATISTS, AND FEEL, BUT CANNOT PROVE, THAT THEY CAME FROM UNITA.

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